Infiltration from across the border

851. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether adequate steps are being taken to check infiltration from across the border(s) in consultation with border States; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. The following steps have been taken to check infiltration from across the border:

(i) Close coordination with other agencies including State Governments agencies;

(ii) Round the clock surveillance of the border by patrolling;

(iii) Conduct of special operations;

(iv) Up-gradation of intelligence net work;

(v) Augmentation of strength for patrolling/naka duties;

(vi) Erection of border fencing and construction of border roads;

(vii) Modernization of BSF and other police force;

(viii) Erection of flood lights on the border to day light the area during hours of darkness; and

(ix) Establishment of new BOPs to reduce inter BOP gaps.

Law and order situation in states bordering Nepal

†852. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) wheter keeping in view, the increased sensitivity of the Indo-Tibet border, the law and order situation in border States has been assessed;

(b) if so, whether these States have sought any Central Government assistance for strengthening the police force and safety of the border; and

(c) if so, the details of the assistance sought by these States and the assistance provided to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S REGUPATHY): (a) The Security situation in the border areas, including the Indo-Tibet border, is regularly reviewed.

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